LOOK OVER FIELD BEFORE ACCEPTING

Sketch of the Brilliant Young Minister Who Has Been Invited to Take Charge of the Grace-Street Presbyterlan Church

Rev. Dr. Jere Witherspoon, who has been called to the pastorate of Grace-Street Presbyterian church, and is ex pected here this week to look over the field, with a view to deciding whether or not to accept the call, is the pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Baltimore. His present charge has for its congregation one of the richest and most influential bodies of Presbyterians in the Monumental City. Their place of worship is at Park avenue and Madison street, and is considered by architects to be one of the finest ecclesiastical edifices in the country. Dr. Witherspoon went to Baltimore as pastor of the First church about four years are, succeeding the Rev.



REV. DR. JERE WITHERSPOON.

Dr. James T. Leftwich, who retired on account of lil-health. He came from Nashville, where for ten years he had been pastor of the First church in that He was considered one of the most brilliant men in the Southern As-sembly, and at the time of his going to the Monumental City great pressure was brought by the Nashville congregation to have him remain.

Dr. Witherspoon was born near Aber-deen, Miss. He received his theological training at the Presbyterian Seminary of Columbia, S. C. In 1875 he was ordained at Okolona, Miss. Two years later he became paster of the Presbyterian church at Maysville, Ky. He removed to Jack-son, Tenn., in 1889, and after a pastorate of several years went to Nashville. Dr. Witherspoon was one of the orators at the centennial celebration of terians held in Philadelphia in 1888. preached the sermon at the reinterment

of the bodies of President and Mrs. Polk. Dr. Witherspoon is a young man, tive, energetic, and vigorous. His ens are always full of interest, thought research, and study. In manner the minister is most agreeable, and he has developed to a fine degree the faculty of

THE OPERA FESTIVAL.

Full Rehenrals Will Now Be Held in Sunger Hall.

Full rehearsals for the grand opera festival will be held this week and next in Sanger Hall, except on such nights as the Academy is available. The cust and chorus which will appear in "Martha" will meet at Sanger Hall to-morrow night

'La Sonnambula" will be rehearsed during the week. The specialties which are to be introduced into the operas will also be given. The cast for "La Sonnambula" will be as follows:

Lisa, Mrs. Walter Mercer. Theresa, Mrs. John R. Durrett. Alexis, Mr. Charles Eubank. Count Rodolpho, Mr. Campobello. A Notary, Mr. J. E. Tyler. Elvino, Signor Dante del Papa.

STORAGE BATTERY FOR LIGHT.

Plant Being Arranged Which Will Better the Service.

The Richmond Railway and Electric Company has rented a house on Sixth street just south of Main for electric storage purposes. The battery is to occupy a space of 50x50 feet, and will weigh about 1,200 tons.

The object of this move on the part of company is to furnish more regular light and to reduce the cost to the consumer. It will remove all danger of a stoppage in event of a break-down at the -house, as the battery will be capaof running 6,000 lights for an hour or

It is expected that the plant will be in operation before the end of this month.

SONS OF THE REVOLUTION.

Delegates to Represent the Virginia Society at Cincinnati.

A called meeting of the Virginia Society of the Sons of the Revolution was held in the office of Mr. J. Aiston Cabell on last Tuesday, Mr. W. Hall Harris, or Baltimore, and Dr. Charles R. Robins, of Richmond, were appointed delegates the general convention to be held in

Cincinnati on Tuesday, October 12th.

The Sons of the American Revolution will hold a convention in the same place at the same time, and both societies will consider the question of amalgamation, which has been agitated for the past four years, and it is expected that a final con-clusion will be reached at this meeting.

HE STEALS TWO CHAIRS.

A Negro Makes the Attempt, But Is Forced to Drop Them.

A negro entered the porch of Mr George A. Smith, No. 823 west Grace street, last night, and seizing two chairs, dashed down the street. Some one passing saw the bold deed, and gave the alarm. A number of gentlemen in the neighborhood joined in the chase.

The negro, still lugging the chairs, turn ed into Belvidere street, but was hotly pursued. Seeing that escape with the chairs was hopeless, he dropped them and fled. In this way, he succeeded, after a continued lively chase, in cluding his pursuers. The chairs, however, were recovered, not much damaged.

A large number of motormen and conductors.

A large number of motormen and conductors on the lines of the Richmond Rallway and Electric Company and the Richmond Traction Company have received copies of a circular-letter from Charles E. Henderson, of Breoklyn, offering them more lucrative work in their respective lines, inasmuch as the letters contained blanks, to be filled out, and a provision that each application should be accompanied by \$\mathbb{Z}\$, some of the railway employees decided that there might be something wrong about the matter and reported it to the Chief of Police, who is investigating the responsibility of Henderson. The Brooklyn man offers motormia and conductors \$2.55 a day for runs of eleven hours, and \$2.45 a day for runs of twelve hours. Jobs for Motormen and Conductors.

Young Man Beats the Liverymen. A young man giving his name as P. Alien, who came here several days ago and stopped at the Jefferson, is wanted here on the charge of swindling various Eleignond liverymen, canocially Mr. Nei-

son, of Nelson's stables, on east Franklin street. From Mr. Nelson the young man got a horse and jumper, putting up a plea that he had some fifteen horses for which he would want stall rent, Allen brought this team back the next day and took another one out, but he did not return with this one. On the other hand he sold to Mr. George D. Thanton, of this city, for \$40. Since then Allen has not been heard from. Mr. Nelson got his team back, and a warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Allen. Detective-Sergeant Tomlinson has been at work on the case, but has not as yet located his man.

Several liverymen were beaten out of livery hire by the young man, but only one warrant has been sworn out against

NEWS ABOUT THE MILITARY. Objection to Baznars-Walker Light Guard Target Practice.

The officers and men of the First Regiment are complaining of their drill hall being so frequently used for bazaars. The dancing which generally marks these occasions has the effect of polishing the surface of the floor like glass, and it is almost impossible for the men to keep their feet while drilling upon it,

Company B, the Walker Light Gusrd, went twenty-two strong to Chimborazo Park yesterday afternoon for their annual target practice. The men left the corner of Seventh and Broad streets on a special car over the Traction Company's line at 3:30 o'clock. The result of the practice was very satisfactory. No less than ten bull's-eyes were made, and the shots were well massed. The target was of regulation size, and the distance was 175 yards. Captain Cunningham made the best score, thirteen out of a possible lifteen, but he declined to take the medal. Sergeant Chapman. Privates Weckert and Graves were tied with a score of twelve. They shot again for first prize. and Private Graves won. Lieutenant Miller, who has enjoyed the distinction of making the second best score for four

cars, made eleven points.
The Richmond Howltzers have arranged o give a smoker next Wednesday eveing at their armory in honor of First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, who will be their guests upon that occasion The Committee of Arrangements is com posed of Lieutenant Meyer, Sergeant Minson, Sergeant Taylor, Corporal Booker, Corporal Epps, and Privates Sainsbury and Bell. The Massachusetts Artillery will arrive here at 11 o'clock on Wednes

The general court-martial will convene at the Armory at 8:20 o'clock to-morrow night. The case against Quartermaster-Sergeant C. D. Hamilton will be the first on the docket.

HE WAS ON THE ENGINE.

Sergeant Tomiluson Found Him,

and Took Him Into Custody. William Yuille, a white man about 29 years of age, of pleasant address and gentlemanly bearing, who claims to beemployed as a selicitor for the Southern Bell Telephone Company, was arrested last night just as he was in the act of eparting for Cincinnati, and taken to be Second Police-Station, where the e Second Police-Station, where the L. Woolfork out of a board bill amount-ing to \$24 was registered against him. Yullle had taken his trunk to the depot

and it was on the train checked through to Cincinnati. Instead of entering the passenger coach, as one would ordinarily do, he perched himself upon the engine, and there Sergeant Aleck Tomlinson found him just as the train was about to Yuille did not remain at the station

house a great while. A friend of his, a Mr. Ellerson, visited him shortly after his incarceration, and gave security, upon which he was admitted to ball. The case will be heard in the Police Court to-morrow morning.

Dr. Blackwell Speaks Here. Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, secretary

of the Baptist Young People's Union in the Southern States, arrived in the city yesterday from Petersburg, and delivered at Richmond College last night his bright and popular lecture on "Oratory and Orators.

Dr. Blackwell will preach at Leigh-Street Baptist church this morning, and people at the Grace-Street Tabernacle to-night. It is expected that the unions Manchester will attend.

Reuben Brown Under Arrest.

Reuben Brown, the negro who shot An-rew Price on September 5th, was arrested last night on Broad street by Policeman H. A. Amos, Erown had a difficulty with Price in the West End, and deliberately shot him, wounding him desperately. Brown made his escape, and managed to clude the vigilance of the policeman last vight. until last night.

Gored by a Cow.

William Hunt, a negro boy who lives on north Fourth street, was gored by a cow on the Boulevard, opposite the Soldiers' Home, yesterday morning, and was quite seriously hurt. He was taken to his home, where he was treated by physicians, His condition is quite serious.

Arrested for Theft.

Joseph Winston, a colored man, was arrested last night, charged with entering the servants' quarters at Dr. Carrington's house, No. 632 Park avenue, and stealing a quantity of clothing and some money belonging to the servants.

Bad Pavements.

To the Editor of the Dispatch; I am obliged to you for calling attention to our bad pavements. I think I never saw worse than in this city, and I bave visited many. The pavement on Broad from Sixth to Seventh, south side, and at many other points on Broad, is abominable. Some months ago, after a at the square above noted, I counted seventy-five pools of water deep enough to wet any lady's feet in ordinary shoes. or pebbies were burned with the brick in the making, and must wound the feet and doubtless produce corns. I have often thought I would gladly contribute something to the repairing of this square. You can say nothing too severe in regard to our pavements. In some cases one has to stagger like a drunken man. How shoes stand these sidewalks is a wonder. They cost our citizens thousands of dollars annually.

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sands of dollars annually.

By the way, some of our improvements of streets seem very remarkable, and I would be glad if you would give us some information. For six months of this year Seventh street between Clay and Leign was undergoing repairs. I am interested in some property on that square, and have been very familiar with it for quarter of a century. Who suggested the repairs, that must have cost \$1,000, or, perhaps, \$2,000, I could not learn. The pavements on either side are far better than the average squares on Broad street. The grades are good. There is not much travel on it, but it has been repaired several times since the cars have been running on it. This year it has been dug up, the curbing reset, the whole block paved with granite blocks, and more than six months was work being done on this one block. At what cost, please tell us, and at whose suggestion? Two or three years ago the other block on this street—to—xit. between Marshall and Chay—underwent the same repairing, also taking six long months. This block is about twenty yards shorter than the one first mentioned. If every block in the heart of the city shall require as much time and expense if will require a full century and a million or more dollars to do the work. I have often wondered who made the contracts for the repair of these two blocks and what was the cost thereof. Will you oblige me with information on this subject? I am really anxious to know.

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As we have not money enough to keep our streets clean in this summer, weather, why do all this plainly unnecessary work at this time? The property on Seventh street, Marshall and Leigh, will not be enhanced one dollar by this expensive provement. Then our bono?

CRAP JOINTS RAIDED.

TWENTY-THREE PRISONERS BAG-GED IN PINK ALLEY.

TWO DISORDERLY PLACES CLOSED.

Second-District Police Make a Pig Haul of Negro Gamblers-Some Ludierous Seenes Enacted by the Victims in Their Attempts to Escape

There was a hot time in Pink Alley last night. The negroes who are wont to gather around the green tables in the crap joints operated in the euphoniouslynamed alley by John Thomas and John Wall and daily with the ever-seductive bones, were interrupted about the midnight hour in their flirtations with the fickle goddess, and many of them are now repining behind prison bars, while the bones, together with all the "dough" for which they "rattled," are in the cus-

tody of Sergeant Cosby. Pink Alley runs from Sixth to Seventh street between Broad and Marshall, and at the corner of this alley and Market street stands the joint which John Thomas has run with much profit to himself. Across the alley stands Mundy's Hall, the name of which has lately been changed to Music Hall, and over this "ranch" John Wall officiates at the presiding genius

DISORDERLY PLACES. For some time the police have been aware of the nature of the two houses, but they have lain low, awaiting a fa-vorable opportunity for making a raid. For some time disorder has reigned supreme in the two joints, and Saturday night a pistol was fired in one of the houses. It was impossible for the police to ascertain who fired the shot, 90 a raid was determined upon. It was decided to wait until Saturday night to visit the houses, in order that as many of the habitues of the two places as possible should be captured.

Accordingly, last night a cordon of blue coated officers assembled at the mouth of the alley, and with silent tread sur rounded the two houses. As they stood without the windows the click of the bones could be distinctly heard, and a mirthful peal of laughter would ever and anon break the stillness of the night as some more fortunate gambler would roll his "seven" or capture "Big Dick."

THE OFFICERS RUSHED IN. At a given signal the officers closed in on the two houses, and then the "niggers" scattered. They made for the doors and the windows like rats scamping for a hole, but at every turn they were con presented himself he was taken into cus tody, and when the policemen returned to the station they had with them twentythree prisoners, sixteen having been bag-ged in one house and seven in the other. LUDICROUS SITUATIONS.

The situation when the officers presented themselves in the biggest estab lishment was truly amusing. One of the victims made a dash through a window and got his body through the aperture but one of the minions of the law got grip on his leg and he was hauled back into the room. In the mean time three of the darkies had secreted themselve beneath the table, and had endeavored to pull it down upon them and thereby escape detection, but, like the ostrich they had hidden only their heads, and they were soon pulled forth.

At the station-house a number of the prisoners furnished security and were balled, but a number of them were forced to spend the night in a cell. All of them will be in the Police Court to-morrow morning.

SUFFOLK.

Martin to Speak Monday-Marriage Announcement-Personal.

SUFFOLK, VA., October 9 .- (Special.) Next Monday will be October court-day in Suffolk, and it will also be a big political day. Hon. Thomas S. Martin will address the Democrats at the courtwill address a mass-meeting of young house at 12 o'clock, and both factions of the Republican party will hold meetings to nominate candidates for the from all the churches in Richmond and House of Delegates. It is rumored that efforts will be made to unite the factions on a compromise candidate, but it is not thought that they will succeed It seems a foregone conclusion that B B. Dumville, a former postmaster of Suffolk, will be nominated by the Lambites, but the next member of the House of Delegates from Nansemond will have only one "B" in his name, being J. E. Bocker, the Democratic nominee.

The fall term of Nansemond Circuit Court will convene next Tuesday, Judge Court will convene next ruesday, Judge R. R. Prentis presiding. Several impor-tant cases are on the docket, one of them being the suit of E. Wilkinson, of West Point, Va., against the Surfolk Light and Water Company. This case was tried at the spring term of this court, and the plaintiff was awarded a verdict, which was set aside by the Messrs. Diggs & Mercer, Richmond, are associated with local counsel for Mr. Wilkinson. The suit of the Globe Hat Company, of Baltimore, vs. H. January & Brother, of Suffolk, involving several thousand dollars, will also come up, the taking of depositions having been concluded last Wednesday, The record is very voluminous, and will cover several hundred typewritten pages. Another important case on the docket is that of C. W. Wright against the town of Suffolk for \$10,000. Cards have been issued announcing

Cards have been issued annount the forthcoming marriage of Mr. Charles Harrell and Miss Lucy McDaniel Almond, which will take place at the Baptist church on Tuesday, October 12th. Mr. Harrell is a well-known and popular young businessman, while the bride-elect is the only daughter of Mr. W. A. Almond and wife, formerly of Lynchburg, and is a young lady noted for her personal charms exalted Christian character. Immed

ly after the ceremony the bridal couple will leave on a northern tour.

Rev. W. W. Steley, D. D., and Rev. H. B. Butler, of Suffolk, held a series of religious meetings at Sarem, N. C., this week, which resulted in sixteen conver sions. They also organized a Christian Church at that place, with a member-

ship of thirty-five.

The Daughters of the Confederacy held a meeting yesterday and selected Miss Lizzle Baker, daughter of General L. S. Baker, as sponsor for Tom Smith Camp, Confederate Veterans, at the Confederate reunion, to be held in Richmond this month. Miss Baker will select the maid of honor to act with her. Colonel R. S. Boykin and Captain George T. Parker have been elected to represent the Tom Smith Camp, and a committee is investigating as to the expediency of the camp attending in a body. Rev. W. A. Barr, who recently accepted

the call to Monumental Protestant Epis-copal church, Richmond, is making pre-parations to remove to his new home. Before leaving Suffolk he will give a Shakespearlan reading for the benefit of the Randolph Society of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church, of which he

Mayor R. L. Brewer, Jr., and wife, of Suffolk, are visiting in Richmont, where they will remain until next week. Mr. J. J. Robinson, and daughter, of Petersburg, have been guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. George Bowen, of Suf-Town-Treasurer J. F. Lotzia, wife, and son, are visiting relatives in New York

city.

Miss Maggle McLean, of Fort Worth.

Tex., who had been visiting relatives in Suffolk, for several weeks, left here this week for her home.

Putts, daughter of Dr.

Miss Georgie Butts, daughter of Dr. G. W. Butts, of Chuckstuck, Nansemond county, has been the guest of Miss Alice McGuire, during the past week.

Mr. Leonard T. Williams, a popular

BLACK SMOKE OF PITTSBURG. The City Realizing More Acutely Its Deleterious Action. (Pittsburg (Pa.) Dispatch.) If we regard the smoke as a necessary

accompaniment of activity in iron and steel production it is to be accepted even with complacence. But when we arrive at the stage of perceiving how our manufactures can be maintained and even stimulated by doing away with the smoke, then it is pertinent to note what an immense injury to health and property that smoke is. In the inflictions upon health the damage is beyond calculation. Bronchial troubles are aggra-vated and rendered acute; eyesight is overtaxed and brought to failure; nerdeprived of the great panacea of light and pure air. It is a blot upon our manhood that housewives, struggling with the effort to keep our homes clean, are worn out by the addition of soot and dust that could be prevented. When we add to this Injury to health and drain upon strength the damage to buildings goods, clothing, and works of art it is easy to see that the bill which Pittsburg pays every year for the privilege of darkening the air is an immense one.

The stupidity of it all is plain in the fact that the cloud that shut out the

sunlight Thursday was a cloud of wasted material. Every atom of carbon in the atmosphere represented an atom of heat and power thrown away. There are three fully defined ways of mitigating or preventing the smoke. That of quiring smoke consumers or preventer: to be used on all steam-raising plants is a measure of mitigation important by itself, but useless if not enforced. proposition to convert coal into electrical power at the mouth of the mines and to transmit the power thence to the cities for light and heat is a measure of absolute abolition, the success of which must depend on the demonstration of its economy and the possibility of using electric heat in the manufacture of iron and stee. Another method that has passed beyond the stage of experiment is the conversion of coal into the two smokeless fuels-gas and coke-in such a way as to give both manufac turing and domestic consumers cheaper smokeless fuels than the present smoky one. The use of this process is one of the means by which Germany makes fron and steel cheaper than any of her competitors, while the suitability of gas and coke for domestic consumption has been amply demonstrated in this city.

It is piain, therefore, that the aboli-tion of smoke and the establishment of a great economy in fuel depend only on organized effort, first, to determine what process are best to serve the different purposes, and next to insure that the fullest competition shall secure to the people the utmost cheapness that is possible for both gas and coke. The Chamber of Commerce, or any other business or public organization, could not do a greater service than by establishing an expert investigation into all processes to determine their practical value.

(The Hospital.)

Visitors to Scotland used to be horri-fled to see so many children running about barefooted. Bare feet are less com-mon now than they were a generation ago, and perhaps the change, while showing a growing prosperity in the nation, is not altogether to be commended. Childran's feet grow so fast that to keep them always properly shod is a matter that requires considerable care and some expenditure. It matters very little to a child's future well-being that at some period of its childhood the sleeves of a jacket have been too short or the skirt of a frock too scant; but the compression of feet in boots too tight, or, even worse, too short, may be a cause of torment in future years. Infinitely better are bare feet than clumsy, heavy, illshapen boots. In the winter the feet may, indeed, want some protection from cold and wet, but during a great part of the year children may safely and healthfully go barefooted. Some mothers, by no means of the poorest class, are convinced that the comfort and symmetry of the feet in maturer years are largely to be gained by giving them freedom during the time of growth. very fashionable marriage some time ago child-bridesmaid was seen slik-robed t shoeless. Where shoes to fit every stage of growth can easily be obtained it may seem an excess of care, aim an affectation, to dispense with the c ventional foot-covering; but if it makes it easier for the wife of a small tradesman-with whom the shoe problem is difficult one, never solved in a comfor able or hygienie way-to let her childre go barefoot if she sees the heir to a duke-dom enjoying the full ease of his un-cramped toes, we should beseech the duchess to take away his shoes. have no doubt the young hope of th peerage would take his emancipation And if shoes are undestrable now much more so are gloves. the thick woollen ones for winter warmil gloves should be banished from a wardrobe. How many youngsters "dressed to death," or near it, would can the complaint of a West Indian negro soldier when, for the first time. donned full uniform: "Barracks for de feet bad 'nuff; barracks for de hands

Princess Louise of Lorne.

too bad-too bad."

(Woman at Home.) The Princess Louise of Lorne, although surrounded by a crowd of young cousins and nieces at the jubilee festivities, shone as one of the queens of beauty whenever she appeared. impossible to believe that six-and-twenty years have sped by since this almost girlish-looking Princess was married to the Scotch Marquis. Those who remem-ber seeing the newly-wedded pair as they left Windsor Castle under a shower of rice, white satin shoes, and the new broom that John Brown, in Highland fashion, threw after them, rub their yes in astonishment whenever they meet the Princess, who, like the Sleeping To a bright and sweet disposition and an unfailing industry may, think, so youthful an appearance be attributed. The Marquis and Marchiness live happily together in the enchanting old palece of Kensington. Of the coun-try both are very fond, and at one time were fortunate in the possession of a pretty cottage near Tunbridge Wells. Lord Ronald Gower wrote: "The Prin-cess is much attached to the place, and it is pleasant to see the busy German housewife strongly developed in her; she bustles about all day, looking after and superintending all the domestic arrangements, carving at meals, and generally making herself useful. Besides being useful the Princess knows how to be ornamental. No professional house decorator can arrange a room more deftly than she, and her leisure hours are give over entirely to the pursuit of art. How well she models and paints in oil and water-colors we all know. The Queen is very proud of her daughter's attain-ments, and it gratified her much that

own hands. Orders for printing sent to the Dispatch Company will be given prompt attention, and the style of work and prices will be sure to please you.

ments, and it gratined her much that many of the monograms, devices, and iliuminated scrolls which adorned Ken-sington on the occasion of the jubilee visit were the work of the Princess's

young Suffolkian, formerly in the dry-goods business here, has accepted a po-sition in Norfolk, and assumed his duties there the first of this week. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church has elected the following officers for the ensuing year; Miss Lucy McD. Almond, president; Mrs. Alfred T. Rid-dick, vice-president; Mrs. William Briggs, secretary and treasurer. PLAYS OF THE WEEK.

STRONG ATTRACTIONS TO BE SEEN AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

alea, vice-president; Mrs. Whilsh Despendence asserting and treasurer.

The Nansemond Seminary Current Topic Club has been reorganized, with the following officers: Miss Kate Ashburn, president; Miss Etta Borum, vice-president; Misses Mary Gatling and Emily Butler, secretaries; Miss Sallie Fagan, ireasurer. COMEDY, ILLUSION, AND PATRIOTISM.

A Fine Cast Will Be Present-"A Furitan Romance" To-Morrow-Skillman, the New Magleian-Gil-

lette's Greatest Play Coming.

Man proposes, but all sorts of things crop up to upset his arrangements, and Manager Leath can bear ready testimony to this fact, for his original bookings for this week included "A Puritan Remance," "A Black Sneep," "Klamet." "Secret Service," and Bancroft the magician. The "Black Sheep" is, apparently, still sowing wild oats, and quite regardless of his appointment; the destiny of "Kismet" has attracted it into other paths, and poor Bancroft has joined the great majority.

"A Puritan Romance" will set the ball rolling to-morrow night; Skillman the



MISS ISABELLE EVESSON. magician will be here on Tuesday and "Secret Service Thursday and Friday.

"A Puritan Romance," a new romantic comedy, will be presented on the stage of the Academy to-morrow eveing, for the first time,

belle Evesson and Estelle Clayton, the well-known actresses, are the joint stars of this attraction. They are supported by such well-known people as Grace Huntington, Imogene Eberle, Virginia Buchanan, Augusta Durgin, Fannie Hunt, W. H. Elwood, W. R. Deltwyn, Myror Calice, C. W. Macdonald, and L. M. Martell. This piece treats of a subject which has not been worn thread-bare—the Puritan in Salem in 1691 who has always been pictured with a long face, devoid of smiles. Miss Clayton is the author of the piece, and she has discovered that the Puritan had another side to his character to which the historian paid but little attention. Of this she has made great use in the construction of her play, and for the most part will present the Puritan with broad grin, and in most quaintly humorous situations. The scenic ment, electric fighting effects, and tumes will be elaborate. A special fea-ture is made for the incidental music by William Furst, the famous music director of the New York Empire Thea-



tre, who has introduced into his compositions for this production ideas that are entirely original to the American

stage.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, the dates originally assigned to Bancroft the magician, whose sudden death occurred several weeks ago, Skillman, a new addition to the wizards, will appear at the

While Skillman does not claim to be a wonder, he does claim that his tricks and his feats are entirely new and sensational. His programme is interspersed with specialties by members of his company.

After a conquest of New York, Boston, and London, Richmond theatre-goers are to see William Gillette's greatest play. "Secret Service," at the Academy of Music on Thursday and Friday, with a

special matines on the latter day.

The play tells of the love of a daughter of a Confederate general and a member of the Union forces, which is thrilling and exciting. It has for its background an incident of the civil war, when the Confederate forces were occupying Richmond and the Union forces were en deavoring to overthrow the city. Louis Dumont, of the United States Secret Service, is in Richmond.



Confederate captain and is endeavoring

Confederate captain and is endeavoring to send a false message in order to weaken the Confederate forces. His sweetheart finds him out through the efforts of a rival and her love immediately turns to hate. The cloud finally disappears, however, and the lovers are once more united. Numerous exciting incidents occur during the progress of the play, the most notable one being the voluntary shooting of a Union soldier

in order to shield his brother from exposure and possible death. The com-puny which is to present "Secret Ser-vice" is said to be one of Mr. Charles Frohman's best. The original scenery and effects are to be used in the pro-

Personnts and Briefs.

Mr. R. H. Williams left yesterday for Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Watkins are the

Langley for the winter. Judge B. A. Hancock, of Chesterfield, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Bessie Tessimer, of Norfolk, is the guest of Mrs. Philip O'Neill, Mr. William Henry Mann, of Peters-

burg, was in the city yesterday, Miss Helen Fitzwilson is visiting he friend, Miss Berkley Ellyson, in Dan-

ville. Miss Lucy Bigger was the guest this week of Mrs. S. B. West, 512 west Grace street.

Rev. Dr. A. B. Dunaway will preach at the Second Baptist church to-day at both services. Mrs. R. J. Price, of Vienna, Md., is visiting her mother, at 314 north Twenty-

ninth street. Miss Kate Wren suffered a severe burn yesterday, and is quite sick from the effects thereof.

Sheriff Switzer, of Rockingham, and Sheriff Switzer, of Rockingham, and building and loan associations, an Judge B. A. Hancock called at the State helped to organize the largest and be-Library yesterday.

who have been visiting in Bristow, have returned to the city. Miss Mamie Sitterding has returned from a pleasant visit to friends in La-trobe and Pittsburg, Pa.

Misses Annie Kain and Minnie Dippner,

The Holy Name Society of the Cathedrai will meet to-night at 7:30. Services and benediction at 8 P. M. Mr. J. H. Browder, of Greensboro', N. C., is visiting his mother, Mrs. E. C.

Sterne, at 604 west Cary street. Miss Nina Randolph has returned from ner vacation, and will play to-day at the 9 o'clock mass at the Cathedral.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Pickett Camp will take place Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Rev. James F. Plummer, of Oxford, to-day, both at II A. M. and 5 P. M. Rev. W. H. Greener, of Bluefield, W. in the city, and will preach at the

First English Lutheran church this morn-

Mrs. Nannie Wren Hill, who has been onfined to her room for four months with sprained feet, is improving very Cards are out for the marriage of Mr.

Samuel S. Snyder, of Petersburg, to Miss Indie C. Meyer, on October 14th, at 510 east Clay street. Secretary of the Commonwealth Law-ess has returned from Portsmouth. less has returned where he voted in the Democratic primary on Thursday.

Miss Sophia Morrison, of Augusta, Ga., who has been visiting Mrs. J. H. Askew, has returned home, greatly pleased with her visit to this city. Miss Erie Caldwell has left the city for

Charlotte, N. C., where she will take the position as one of the lady principals in

Mr. R. E. Lee Janney, a prominent Chi-cagoan, and son of the inventor of the famous Janney car-coupler, is in the city on a business mission.

has been confined to her house for

the Elizabeth College.

ral weeks, is much improved in health, and will be out in a day or two. The McGill Catholic Union will hold a very interesting meeting Monday evening at 8 o'clock, A very agreeable programme

Mrs. Jacob Lewit, of Clay street, who

has been arranged for the members. Miss Blanche Doughty, of north Twenty-fourth street, will leave the city Tues-day to spend two weeks in New Kent county, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. John J. Kuhn, who has been so sick for the past ten weeks, is still lying criti cally ill at the residence of his daug Mrs. C. W. Pendleton, in Fairmount.

Miss Kate G. Doyle, who spent some days here as the guest of Mrs. James E. Phillips, has gone to Lynchburg to visit her brother, Mr. William M. Doyle, of that city.

Mrs. Charles Frommer, and her daughter, Miss Rosa Frommer, and Mrs. John Steinbrecher left Thursday on the steamer Virginia for a pleasant visit to friends in Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Easton, Dr. John Hartman and Dr. Ernest M

Hardy have been offered and accepted positions as demonstrators in the Dental Infirmary and Laboratory of the Medical College of Virginia. They are both graduates of the University College of Medicine, and begin their duties this Mr. and Mrs. William Chesterman and

daughter, of Sheffield, England, have been visiting the city for the past week, after an extended tour in Canada, California, and the Yesemite Valley, During the first part of their stay here they were the guests of Mr. Evan R. Chesterman, who was handsomely entertained at their summer residence in Derbyshire. They are now spending a few days with Rev. Dr. Hoge, who has likewise enjoyed their hospitality while abroad,

Richmonders in New York. NEW YORK, October 9 .- (Special.)-w

B. Sutton, W. Handy and wife, Broadway Central; O. S. Morton, St. Denis; R. Young, Albert; Miss A. Salley, W. H. Salley, Bartholdi.

A Splendld Gift. (Farmville Herald.)

We rarely unfold a Richmond paper that we do not read that Captain Frank W. Cunningham has been cheering a comrade or comforting some sorrowing one with stirring or sweet song. What a splendid gift is his, and how generously and gloriously he has been using it. The writer sat next to him at a banquet given some years ago in his city to the editors of Virginia, and heard him sing as no other man we ever heard can, and then heard him say: "I came to this hall from a sick chamber, where I tried to mission to the Fair, cheer a suffering one, and from an open grave, where I tried to comfort sorrowng ones, and I am going from this room to the bedside of a dying friend, where I hope again to add some light to the darkness." And this was no unusual day's work with him. We do not wonder that he is the pet and pride of all Richmond. Long may he live to sing for those who sigh.

Grand Concert at Zimmer's Pavilion, New Reservoir Park. A sacred concert will be given at Zim-

mer's pavillon Sunday afternoon from 3.30 to 6 o'clock, rain or shine. The pa-villon is provided with doors all around to protect from wind or rain, and will be comfortably heated if the weather is cool. No gate fee charged. Special Rates to Norfolk, via C. & O.

For the Norfolk Driving Club Fair Association the Chesapeake and Ohio railway are selling tickets from Rich-mond to Norfolk, Va., and return, in-These ciuding admission, at rate of \$3. tickets will remain on sale until Octo-ber 14th, inclusive, and bear final limit of October 16th. If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth

be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind-colle, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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PREPARE FOR OLD AGE.

Some Good Advice to Young Peopl from One of Virginia's Braintes

One of the brainlest men Virginia eve produced was the Inte Major William Satherlin, of Danville. He was what know as a long-headed man, and judgment was almost equal to the gif

of prophecy. He was a thoroughly practical man, and "guided his affairs with For several years before his death h retired from active business, and gav his time to setting his affairs in order When questioned by a friend as to was

left for the administrator to do. The Major was very loyal to his friends, and took a keen interest in all that concerned them. He was parties larly fond of young people, and gave this young friends from time to time such advice as he felt that they need ed. Talking to the writer of this story on one occasion, he said: ou laying by something for your affire

age?" When answered in the tive, he replied: "That's rig" "That's right. young man who does not prepare old age is foolish. An old man has hard time of it in this world at best and if he be poor, his lot is truly dis The Major was a great believer in building association of the kind that Virginia ever had. It was largely through his

flourishing condition and earning 10 per cent, a year on its stock.

The associations in Richmond, however, are quite as good, and all are earning good dividends. They furnish the safest and most profitable media in the world for saving money, and those who would follow Major Sutherlin's advice and lay by something for old age can do no better than take our running stock in one of more of the Richmond

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a'ssion to the fair. Ticketurn until October 18, 1897. Tickets good to

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Change of Place. Mr. Jack W. Wilson, who has been with

will be pleased to see his many friends.

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Dr. Harbaugh Retires from Practice. I desire the public to know that I,

college and in practice, with me and for himself. I hope my old friends and others will transfer their work to him. I make this request with perfect as-surance that he will give them the same

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